

## POTATO

### Crop Condition is the Lowest Ever Reported.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., Sept. 10.—The monthly report of the Statistician of Department of Agriculture shows that the average condition of corn on September 1st was 51.7. The decline during August was 2.3 points and the condition on the first of the present month was 28.9 points lower than on Sept. 1, 1900. There was a decline of 13 points in Ohio and 8 in Indiana. In Kansas and Missouri the condition is the same as on August 12. The average condition at the harvest of winter and spring wheat combined was 82.8, against 69.6 last year and 70.9 in '99. Indiana reports a condition of 15 points and Ohio three below the respective ten year averages of these States. The average condition of oats when harvested was 72.1, against 82.9 last year and 87.2 in '99. The condition of the crop in Ohio is 3 points and in Indiana 8 points below the respective ten year averages of these States. Since August there has been a general improvement in the condition of tobacco. In Kentucky the present condition and the ten year average are equal. In Ohio the condition is 13 points below ten year average. The average condition of potatoes is 52.2. The present condition is the lowest ever reported in September, being 10.2 points below that of '94, the lowest previous September condition.

## SKULL

### Fractured by a Pile of Boards Falling.

Special to the Leader.  
Parkersburg, W. Va., Sept. 10.—Mike Kivlehan lies at St. Joseph's Hospital in a critical condition, from the effects of an accident with which he met this morning, at an early hour, while at work unloading lumber from a car for the Parkersburg Rig and Reel Works. He was assisting taking lumber from a car that stood on a side track near the works, when a number of heavy planks fell from the top of the pile and struck him on the head, knocking him unconscious to the ground. He was immediately taken to St. Joseph's Hospital where Dr. Stout was called in attendance. It was found upon examination, that the victim's skull had been fractured, but that owing to the free hemorrhage, there was some chance for him to recover, although the chance is very slight. Shortly before noon, there was still a slight hemorrhage from the mouth. At a late hour this afternoon he had not yet gained consciousness but seemed slightly improved.  
Mr. Kivlehan is a resident of the South Side.

## RIFLEMEN

### Of the World Close Meeting at Sea Girt.

By Associated Press.  
New York, Sept. 10.—After 11 days of actual work at Sea Girt, N. J., the International Rifleman wound up the annual meeting of the National Rifle Association of America today. Final contest was the All Comers Match, won by Frank Hyde, of New York, with a score of 283 points. The next best was Dr. J. C. Sellers, of Ireland, 279. Major Miltner and Thomas Caldwell, of Ireland, got 278 each. Thirty-three men entered.

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## COUNCIL

### Held its Regular Weekly Meeting Last Evening.

The city council met last night in the council chamber with the following members present: Curtis, Cutter, Benedict, Kerns, Matchett, Plummer, Savage, Strain and Toller. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved and building permits granted to R. W. Best on New street and Rudolph Rudig on Washington.

A letter from the Pan-American Decorating Co., was then read. That company offered to decorate the city building for the week of the Elks' Carnival and to attend to the decorations while they were up for the sum of \$125.00, or to decorate the front of the building and 50 feet on one side for \$90. The communication was received and filed and referred to the building committee.

Mayor Sykes' report for the months of June, July and August was read. Upon a motion of Strain the report was referred to Police Committee for auditing before being accepted.

The city engineer's estimate of the cost of improvement at the Putnam street landing were then read. His estimate of the cost was \$67.30 and upon motion of Kerns the matter was referred to the landing committee.

The matter of making some improvements on the alley known as High School Lane was brought up and on motion was referred to the finance committee.

The fire chief's report for August was then read and accepted and placed on file.

The resignation of F. J. Cutter of his office as councilman from the second ward was then read. Mr. Cutter stated that the reason for his resignation was that he was no longer a resident of the second ward. On motion of Mr. Kerns the resignation was accepted.

The report of the police committee on the prize fight was then read. The committee reported that it was not a prize fight under the law, but was simply a scientific display of boxing given for amusement and that the entire police force, with the exception of two were present. They also found that the police were guilty of neglecting their duty upon that evening and when they should have been out on their beats, they were at the boxing contest leaving all police calls and duties to take care of themselves. The committee as a majority further advised that charges should be made out against officers who attended the contest and that they should be expelled and a new police force organized that would be more of a credit to the city. Strain as the minority of the committee reported that after carefully investigating the facts and evidence of the affair he did not think that the case was bad enough or serious enough to warrant bringing charges against the men out he strongly recommended giving them a severe reprimand and then let the matter drop.

After considerable discussion on the matter Mayor Sykes said that the police were very loyal under the circumstances and that he had made a rule himself whereby after an officer had made his rounds he should call at headquarters in order to see if there were any telephone calls for police in his district.

The Mayor also said that there should be a private telephone for each man on his beat somewhere, where he could call up headquarters for instructions and not have to walk all the way there and back. After some more discussion by the council in which Strain said that the whole matter was brought up and agitated by the newspapers, a motion was made to adopt the minority report, which was defeated.

Strain then changed his report so that it recommended that the whole matter be referred back to the Mayor which upon motion was carried. Toller reported that the sewer at the fire department No. 2 was stopped up and made a motion that the matter be referred to the sewer committee which was carried.

The park commissioners asked the council to give them \$300 for improving the park, but owing to the condition of finances this was not granted. Plummer said that the old surveys of Putnam sub-division could not be relied upon any longer and made a motion that new surveys be made. This was referred to the street commissioner and city engineer.

A brick sidewalk eight feet wide was ordered to be built on the west side of Fourth street from Green to Hart streets.

The bridge committee reported that the stone on the Putnam bridge is straining the structure and Savage made a motion that the clerk write to the Bridge company and get their advice on the matter.

George Stark on behalf of the Elk lodge invited the council to the lodge building after the meeting was over to inspect the new arch they have put up. The invitation was accepted.

Matchett reported that Eighth and Ninth streets between Washington and Warren are in bad condition and was referred to the street committee on motion. The council then allowed the following bills after which it adjourned.

Stafford Palmer.....	\$2.00
Andrew Hart.....	\$2.25
C. L. Weber.....	\$2.25
F. H. Ebinger.....	\$2.75
John H. Osterle.....	\$3.25
Marietta Mfg. Co.....	\$3.50
Geo. W. Trooker.....	\$5.00
John Bickert.....	\$3.50
Marietta Transfer & Storage Co.....	\$32.45
Turning Draw.....	\$2.25
Crecent Supply Co.....	\$8.50
M. H. Hart.....	\$9.25
Thomas Highland.....	\$7.11
Soyler & Bro.....	\$29.51
F. Heyerman.....	\$9.00
Peter Maloy.....	\$10.00
J. B. McClure.....	\$10.00
Marietta Paint and Color Co.....	\$7.15
M. McMillen, Jr.....	\$3.30
Becker Lumber and Mfg. Co.....	\$1.88
Marietta Mfg. Co.....	\$1.60
J. Muller and Son.....	\$1.25
Wm. Griggs.....	\$10.50
Stella B. Hooper.....	\$6.70
Tom Highland.....	\$18.00
Chas. Wagner.....	\$18.00
John Wilkins.....	\$15.00
Mort Nelson.....	\$6.00
Jacob Lorentz.....	\$6.00
Peter Backes.....	\$9.00
John Dow.....	\$9.00
Henry Lanhart.....	\$9.00
Joe Hill.....	\$9.00
George Brickert.....	\$9.00
L. Rose.....	\$9.00
Pat Laurie.....	\$9.00
R. Hunter.....	\$9.00
Hall and Morgan.....	\$4.00
Beltz Bro.....	\$3.50
Becker Lumber & Mfg. Co.....	\$2.87

## FURTHER TESTS

### Were Made by Mr. Hastings on Tuesday.

The Committee selected by the Board of Trade to investigate the proposition of Messrs. Hastings, Waller and Wilkinson, of Parkersburg, at the last meeting of the Board, accompanied by a Leader representative, went to the works of the Ohio Valley Supply Company on lower Third street Tuesday afternoon to watch Mr. Hastings do some work with the lathe tools that were moulded Monday. One of them was put on a lathe machine and a number of threads were cut on a lot of iron pipe to test the hardness of the lathes and they were put through a number of other tests which were very satisfactory to the committee. Everything that Mr. Hastings claims he can do was done.

Among those present Tuesday were some of Marietta's best machinists and they expressed themselves as being highly pleased. It is now up to the people of Marietta whether they want these gentlemen to locate here and it is to be hoped that they won't let this golden opportunity of locating this plant in Marietta pass by.

## CLAIMS OF MARCONI'S RIVAL.

### Maskelyne Says That He Can Intercept Wireless Messages by the Italian System.

The opening of the Nantucket station by the New York Herald has revived interest in the wireless telegraph, which people at London had begun to regard as more or less of a scientific toy, like the phonograph and the microscope. Incidentally, it has reopened the discussion of the relative merits of Signor Marconi's and competing systems.

The principal of the latter is one claimed to be the invention of Mr. Maskelyne, son of the Egyptian hall conjurer. Last year Mr. Maskelyne had a situation at Beachy Head, where he claimed to be able to intercept messages from the Marconi station, while those from Beachy Head were undecipherable by Marconi receivers.

A demonstration of this apparatus at the Crystal Palace last autumn hardly confirmed these claims. Mr. Maskelyne used a closed circuit, which has always been condemned as inefficient, because it retains the electric energy, and is therefore neither a good radiator nor a good receiver. After three years' experimenting, however, he claims to have overcome this difficulty, and for the last three weeks has had a station at Shorebury, communicating with North Foreland, 30 miles away.

Another advantage claimed is the using of the short poles, thus obviating the danger of mishaps from high winds.

## Finds a Great Tenor.

"As a result of the toss of a coin, I think I've found the man who is to be the greatest tenor singer in the world before long." This remark was made the other day by Giacomo Minkowsky, composer and friend of Mme. Nordica, Edouard de Reszke and many other opera singers. He referred to Guillaume Duchesne, until recently a waiter in Delmonico's. The latter says positively that Duchesne has a voice such as has not been possessed by a dozen singers since singers have been recorded—a voice essentially Italian; the kind that musicians have been wont to say was "lost." Duchesne has been selected for the \$2,000 scholarship in music offered by Edouard de Reszke. Minkowsky overheard him singing in a cheap French restaurant.

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## Sand Hill.

Sept. 4th and 5th the Marietta township Sunday School convention was held at the Sand Hill M. E. church. President Perry, of Marietta College gave an address which was highly appreciated by all present. Several other able speakers were present and the convention was one of interest as well as being beneficial.

Those who left Monday for Cleveland, Buffalo and other points of interest were: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thorniley, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thorniley, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harsha, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Host, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Thorniley, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Getchell, Mrs. T. O. Schott, Mrs. W. L. Miller, Mr. William Harsha, Mr. A. Doan, Misses Roxie Riley, Lella Thorniley, Messrs. William Kester, Curtis Doan, George Kester, George Thorniley, Harry Kester, Raymond Miller and Carl Miller. They expect to spend from ten to fifteen days in seeing the sights of the several cities they expect to visit.

The M. E. Sunday School will observe Rally Day Sept. 29th.

Mr. Thomas West and grand-daughter, Miss Lone King, of Missouri, are visiting relatives at this place.

Messrs. H. C. West and George Alcock, have returned from Columbus, where they attended the State Fair.

Mr. Chas. Kidd and family of this place expect to move to Marietta this week.

Mr. Otis Reckard and wife and little daughter were the guests of Mrs. Betty Thorniley over Sunday. Also Mrs. Sarah Reckard will spend the week with her sister, Mrs. Thorniley.

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